

Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item

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Agenda Item No.

City Manager's Approval

To:

Mayor and Council Members

From:

Auburn Arts Commission

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Date:

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Subject:

Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge Mural

<u>The Issue</u>

Shall the Auburn City Council approve the commissioning and painting of a mural at 897 High Street (Depoe Bay Coffee Company and Rico's Barber Shop building – parking lot side) at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.

Conclusion and Recommendation

Approve the commissioning and painting of a mural at 897 High Street at a cost not to exceed \$1,500.

Background

This mural of the Mountain Quarries Railroad Bridge will provide an opportunity for community-wide involvement in a public art project. Local artist Archie Warren has designed a mural of the bridge specifically for this site. The wall is a highly visible location on the approach to the canyon and the bridge itself. The mural of this local landmark will not only provide a much-needed facelift for this area of town but also serve as a visual celebration of the bridge's upcoming centennial. Archie, local art students from Placer High School and Sierra College, the building's owners, local businesses, and Arts Commission members will all participate in the mural installation. All labor will be donated and a public campaign will be undertaken for paint and material donations.

Alternatives Available to Council:

The alternative would be to not approve the commissioning and painting of the mural.

Fiscal Impact

The city will incur a cost, not to exceed \$1,500, to cover the cost of wall preparation, UV protection, and other necessary materials. There will be no costs for labor.

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